

Acknowledgment of Obligations and Consequences

Instructions: Please place your initials on the lines next to each obligation and consequence and place your signature and date at the bottom of the form.

Obligations:

____ I must sign a ABN loan contract for the Student Loan Repayment Programs prior to any disbursement of funds.

If I receive a loan, I have the following Service Obligations:

____ To serve a minimum of 18 months following graduation for each year I receive the loan providing full-time practice as a CRNA, CRNP, or CNM in an area of critical need.

____ The designated area of critical need must be selected from the map of designated areas of critical need in effect at the time I sign my contract.

____ Full-time is defined as 36-40 hours per week. Only practice at the approved practice site in my designated area of critical need will count toward this requirement. I cannot decrease the length of my service obligation by working more than 40 hours in a week.

____ A service site/area of critical need cannot be changed without approval from the Alabama Board of Nursing. If I change my area of critical need, I must work in that area of critical need full time for at least three years, even if that extends the length of my obligation beyond the time period to which I was previously obligated.

____ To ensure requirements with service I will be required to submit regular employment verification reports to the Board.

Consequences:

There are substantial financial and licensure consequences for failing to fulfill the obligations of the loan contract. Pursuant to section 34-21-98 of the Code of Alabama, if I default on or fail to honor the contract for any reason, I will incur the following financial and licensure consequences:

____ Immediately repay the total principal loan amount plus interest at the rate of 8 percent, or the prime lending rate, whichever is greater, accruing from the date of default or other failure to honor the contract; and

____ In addition to the repayment with interest described in Paragraph above, I will be required to pay a penalty of:
20 percent of the total principal amount of the loan, if I have received one year's worth of loans; or
30 percent of the total principal amount if I have received two years' worth of loans; or
40 percent of the total principal amount of the loan, if I have received three years' worth of loans;

and

____ In addition to the repayment with interest described above and the penalty describe above, if I default or otherwise fail to honor a contract after graduation with a graduate degree in advanced practice nursing but prior to completion of the repayment obligation, I will be required to pay a penalty equal to 100 percent of the total principal amount of all loans received;

and

____ If I fail to honor my contract with the Board or pay the money I am liable for under the law and my contract, my license to practice nursing may be revoked by the Alabama Board of Nursing.

Signature of Applicant

Date